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- 11. (SBU) MFA Security and Strategic Affairs bureau took on board reftel points and text and subsequently informed Embassy of three points relating to the preamble, notifications and list reviews, all of which were included in MFA instructions sent to the French mission to the UN. GOF wants to include reference to UNSCR 1817 (June 2008), relating to trafficking in drug precursors, in the preamble. The text touches on precursor and drug trafficking by terrorist organizations and the GOF sees this as a non-controversial improvement. On notifications (para 19) our interlocutors noted that, on some level, publication of the resolution text on the internet constitutes "informing and notifying. They think that "decides" is too strong an obligation with reference to specific, targeted notification, given the practical impossibility of reliably making direct contact with some relevant players (e.g., Usama Bin-Laden) and prefer "calls upon."
- 12. (SBU) Regarding review/revision of the list, they want to be more responsive to critics who charge that the consolidated list is out of date. Instead of annual review of all entries which have not been updated or reviewed for four years (para 26), they propose that the annual review encompass all entries that have not been updated or reviewed for two/two years. In addition, they propose a comprehensive review of the entire list every two years. MFA contacts indicated their UN mission may also raise some pragmatic, operational issues, of lesser policy interest. Please visit Paris' Classified Website at: http://www.intelink.sgov.gov/wiki/Portal:Fran ce

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